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TO:

Workforce Development Board (WDB) Directors

Workforce Development Board Equal Opportunity Officers

Disability Resource Coordinators Job Service District Offices

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FROM:

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RE:

Workforce Investment Act Physical, Programmatic and Communication Accessibility

Requirements

PURPOSE: To announce the Division of Employment and Training's (DET) implementation of its continuing commitment to ensure compliance with the physical, programmatic and communication accessibility requirements established in the non-discrimination regulation at Section 188 of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 regarding individuals with disabilities.

BACKGROUND: A public entity shall operate each service, program, or activity so that the service, program or activity, when viewed in its entirety is readily accessible to and useable by individuals with disabilities.

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POLICY: Annually, each Workforce Development Board (WDB) administrative entity shall assess the physical, programmatic and communication accessibility of its comprehensive Job Centers to determine they are in compliance with the accessibility requirements for individuals with pursuant to WIA Section 188. A Webinar to familiarize WDBs with administering the 188 Disability Checklist took place on September 11, 2012 from 9:00 am – Noon.

ACTION SUMMARY STATEMENT: Workforce Investment Boards (WIB) funded by WIA Title I, utilizing the WIA Section 188 Disability Checklist will establish teams of their partner agencies to review, assess and upgrade the access of individuals with disabilities to the comprehensive One-Stop Career Center/Job Center system in their jurisdictions. Responses are due to Bill Franks by October 31, 2012. Should there be a necessity for corrective actions, these will be negotiated between the WDB and DET.

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Attachment(s): WIA SECTION 188 DISABILITY CHECKLIST

http://www.dol.gov/oasam/programs/crc/section188.htm